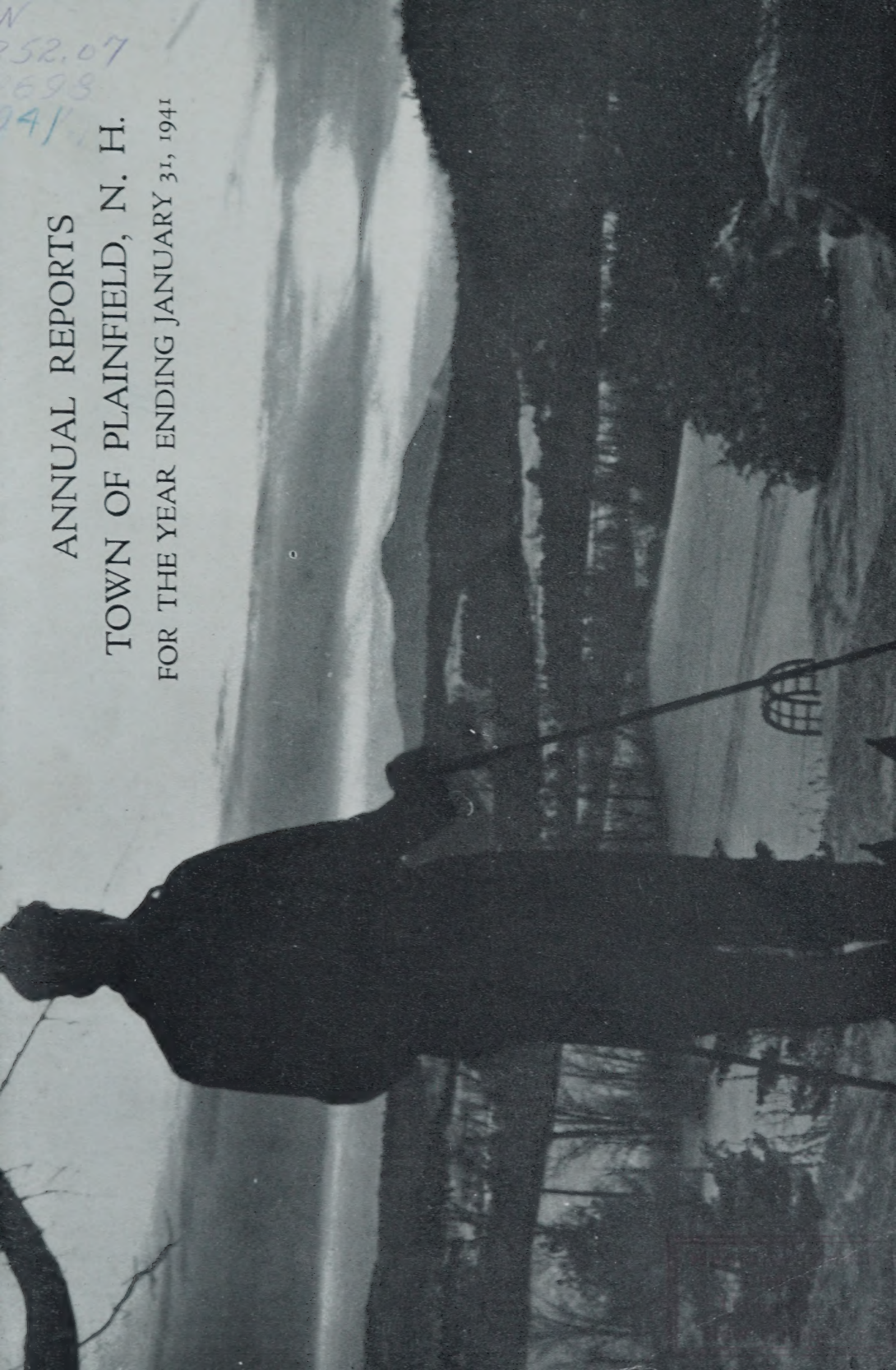
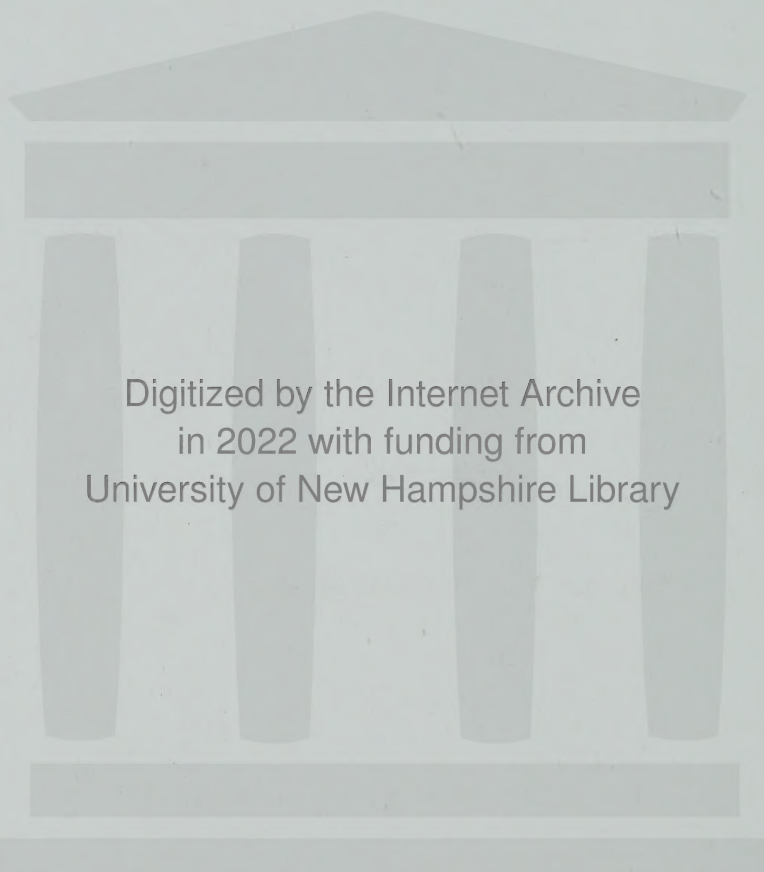


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FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1941





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## **TOWN OFFICERS**

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### **Moderator**

DANIEL C. WESTGATE

### **Selectmen**

EARLE W. COLBY                      JOHN W. WHITNEY  
FRED A. MARK

### **Town Clerk**

WILLIAM H. JENNEY

### **Treasurer**

BESSIE W. HILL

### **Collector of Taxes**

VERNON C. HOOD

### **Supervisors of Check List**

J. CHARLES MAYETTE                      OTIS W. JORDAN  
EDWIN M. PORTER

### **Overseer of Poor**

FRED A. MARK

### **Road Agents**

HERBERT KING                      FRANK HUSSEY

### **Health Officer**

DR. E. L. HUSE

### **Trustees of Trust Funds**

HOWARD ZEA                      JOHN W. WHITNEY  
PALMER C. READ

### **Auditors**

HOWARD W. CHELLIS                      BLANCH A. L. DANIELS

### **Constables**

JOHN F. McNAMARA                      MILTON MORSE

### **Library Trustees**

SARAH WHITAKER                      ETHEL P. DUNCKLEE  
THOMAS INGRAM                      MARY A. FREEMAN  
LUCY BISHOP                      EDITH M. WHITNEY



## TOWN WARRANT

March 1941

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### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Plainfield, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Town Hall, Plainfield, in said town on the second Tuesday of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

**Article 1.** To choose a Town Clerk, one Selectman for three years, Treasurer, Tax Collector, one or more Highway Agents, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, two Library Trustees for three years and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

**Article 2.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay outstanding notes and interest.

**Article 3.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to pay all other necessary town expenses for the ensuing year.

**Article 4.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for the support of Town poor.

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise the the amount of money required by law to secure State Aid on Class 5 highways plus any additional amounts necessary.

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid for construction of the Class 2 road known as the Plainfield-Meriden Stage road, and raise for said purpose the sum of \$1,161.00. The State will contribute \$2,322.00. Or to accept State Aid for construction of Class 5 roads and raise the sum of \$852.04 and the State will contribute \$3,408.15.



**Article 7.** To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise to assist citizens of Plainfield for a ward bed as needed in the Mary Hitchcock Hospital, Claremont Hospital, or both, also to appoint a committee or make resolutions regarding the same.

**Article 8.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise for Memorial Day.

**Article 9.** To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise for Snow removal.

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00, to assist in the control of White Pine Blister Rust.

**Article 11.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum equal to not more than one one hundredth of one percent ( $1/100$  of 1%) of the assessed valuation based upon assessment of 1940 for the purpose of advertising the attractions and resources of the town, in connection with other towns in the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region.

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will vote to petition the state tax commission to have an audit made by the division of municipal accounting and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of such audit.

**Article 13.** To see what action the Town will take in regard to the purchase of a site for a public dump, and raise any money required for same.

**Article 14.** To see what action the Town will take in regard to the purchase or rental of snow removal equipment and raise any money required for same.

**Article 15.** To see if the Town will vote to accept from Norman Wilder the gift of a parcel of land adjoining the Plain Cemetery for Cemetery purposes and raise the sum of \$250.00 to pay for moving fence, repairing and painting same.

**Article 16.** To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$200.00 to repair the bridge near Daniel Westgates.



**Article 17.** To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$200.00 to repair the bridge near Asa Walkers.

**Article 18.** To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise to paint the East end of the Plainfield Town Hall.

**Article 19.** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town through tax collector's Deeds. This action to continue until revoked.

**Article 20.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to be paid on or before one year pursuant to the laws of 1917.

**Article 21.** To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 2% on all 1941 Property taxes, paid on or before July 10.

**Article 22.** To see if the Town will vote to dispense with delivering inventory blanks until the time of taking inventory. This action to continue until revoked.

**Article 23.** To see what action the Town will take in regard to the reports of the Town Officers.

**Article 24.** To transact any other business that may legally and properly come before said meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 24th day of February, nineteen hundred forty-one.

Earl W. Colby,  
John W. Whitney,  
Fred A. Mark,  
Selectmen of Plainfield, N. H.

A true Copy—Attest:

Earl W. Colby,  
John W. Whitney,  
Fred A. Mark,  
Selectmen of Plainfield, N. H.

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF**  
**Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year**  
**Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous**

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1940	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1941	Increase	Decrease
<b>Sources of Revenue</b>				
<b>From State:</b>				
Interest and Dividends				
Tax	\$ 6,451.56	\$ 6,300.00		\$ 151.56
Insurance Tax	18.38	20.00	\$ 1.62	
Railroad Tax	29.68	30.00	.32	
Savings Bank Tax	502.60	500.00		2.60
Class V Highway	181.13	442.90	261.77	
Bounties	20.00	11.00		9.00
<b>From Local Sources Except</b>				
<b>Taxes:</b>				
Land Rent	15.30	50.00	34.70	
Dog Licenses	307.00	275.00		32.00
Refunds	193.20	10.00		183.20
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	12.00	12.00		
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	96.13	40.00		56.13
Burnap Fund	68.75	68.75		
Sale of Land	297.28	125.00		172.28
Filing Fees	5.00			5.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,381.59	1,200.00		181.59
<b>From Local Taxes Other</b>				
<b>Than Property Taxes:</b>				
(a) Poll Taxes	918.00	900.00		18.00
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	53.00	53.00		
(c) Tax Sales Redeemed	407.08	250.00		157.08
(d) Property and Polls Previous Years	302.37	100.00		202.37
<b>Amount Raised by Issue of</b>				
<b>Bonds or Notes:</b>				
Anticipation Note	12,000.00	12,000.00		
Cash on Hand (Surplus)	2,035.14	671.42		1,363.72
<b>Total Revenues From All</b>				
<b>Sources Except Property</b>				
<b>Taxes</b>	<b>\$25,295.19</b>	<b>\$23,059.07</b>	<b>\$ 298.41</b>	<b>\$ 2,534.53</b>
<b>*Amt. to be Raised by</b>				
<b>Property Taxes</b>				
	23,635.61			
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>				
	\$48,930.80			

\* Total estimated "Revenues from All Sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total estimated "Expenditures" should give estimated "Amount to be raised by Property Taxes."

**PLAINFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**February 1, 1941 to January 31, 1942 Compared with Actual**  
**Year February 1, 1940 to January 31, 1941**

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1940	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1941	Increase	Decrease
<b>Purposes of Expenditures</b>				
<b>Current Maintenance Expenses:</b>				
<b>General Government:</b>				
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 998.63	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 101.37	
Town Officers' Expenses	515.51	600.00	84.49	
Election and Registration Expenses	199.80	18.00		\$ 181.80
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	172.85	300.00	127.15	
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>				
Dog Damage	88.40	100.00	11.60	
Police Department	228.00	100.00		128.00
Fire Department	411.56	100.00		311.56
Bounties	11.40	20.00	8.60	
<b>Health:</b>				
Town Physician	300.00			300.00
Health Department, including hospitals	90.00	200.00	110.00	
Vital Statistics	11.00	11.00		
Refunds	4.73			4.73
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>				
Town Maintenance	8,229.78	7,000.00		1,229.78
Street Lighting	131.57	130.00		1.57
General Expenses of Highway Department	947.69	1,000.00	52.31	
Motor Fees to Clerk	110.75	110.75		
Blister Rust Control		400.00	400.00	
<b>Libraries:</b>				
Libraries	219.70	175.00		44.70
<b>Public Welfare:</b>				
Town Poor	955.84	1,500.00	544.16	
Old Age Assistance	399.17	500.00	100.83	
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>				
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	16.50	25.00	8.50	
Aid to Soldiers and their families	30.00			30.00
<b>Recreation:</b>				
Dart.-Lake Sunapee Region	40.00	40.00		
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>				
Cemeteries	11.50	250.00	238.50	
Damage and Legal Ex.	199.93	200.00	.07	
<b>Interest:</b>				
Taxes Bought by Town	620.77	620.77		
On Temporary Loans	296.55	296.55		
On Long Term Notes	250.67	275.00	24.33	
<b>Outlay for New Construction and Perm. Improve.:</b>				
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>				
T. R. A.	807.42			807.42
State Aid Construction—Town's Share		1,161.00	1,161.00	
Two Bridge Repairs		400.00	400.00	
<b>Indebtedness:</b>				
<b>Payment on Principal of Debt:</b>				
(a) Temporary Loan	12,500.00	13,500.00	1,000.00	
(b) Long Term Notes	2,200.00	1,500.00		700.00
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</b>				
Burnap Fund	35.43	68.75	33.32	
County Taxes	5,457.58	5,457.58		
Payments to School Dist.	11,766.65	11,714.00		52.65
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$48,259.38</b>	<b>\$48,873.40</b>	<b>\$ 4,406.23</b>	<b>\$ 3,792.21</b>



## INVENTORY OF THE TOWN ON APRIL 1, 1940

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Land and Buildings	\$608,045.00
Electric Lines	18,610.00
Horses, 114	12,815.00
Oxen, 12	900.00
Cows, 594	33,630.00
Neat Stock, 167	6,415.00
Sheep, 251	1,595.00
Hogs, 18	180.00
Fowls, 2629	2,325.00
Fur Bearing Animals, 94	655.00
Portable Mills, 3	1,500.00
Wood and Lumber	
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks, 10	885.00
Stock In Trade	5,220.00
Meriden Water Co.	2,000.00
Mills and Machinery	3,100.00
Total Valuation	<hr/> \$774,585.00
Amount exempt to soldiers and soldier's widows	\$19,340.00
Poll Taxes	\$1,064.00

# **AMOUNT OF TAXES ASSESSED FOR ALL PURPOSES**

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Outstanding Notes and Interest	\$2,600.00
General Government	3,000.00
Town Poor	2,000.00
Highways and Bridges	3,500.00
Library Tax	49.20
Hospitals	200.00
Memorial Day	25.00
Snow Removal	2,500.00
Town Road Aid	808.01
Dartmouth Lake Sunapee Region	40.00
County Tax	5,457.58
Town Physician	300.00
Support of Schools	11,756.77
Overlay	1,128.35
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	<b>\$33,364.91</b>

## **Credits:**

Poll Taxes	\$1,064.00
Insurance Tax	18.38
National Bank Stock Taxes	53.00
Interest and Dividends Tax	6,525.39
Savings Bank Tax	671.60
Railroad Tax	30.12
Motor Permits	1,257.27

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Total Credits	\$9,619.76
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Actual Property Tax committed to collector including Bank Stock	24,970.20
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Tax Rate \$3.08

## ASSETS

Cash on hand	\$671.42
Due from land rent	487.83
Due from State for Bounties	11.40
Assets due Town on Collector's books:	
Uncollected tax levy 1938	15.92
Uncollected tax levy 1939	56.09
Uncollected tax levy 1940	154.06
Unredeemed previous year's tax sales	633.99

### Liens secured by 1941 sale of taxes:

Alice Cuddy	37.65
James Cook	24.59
Ralph Chapman	119.53
Heirs of Chas. Daniels	41.15
Joseph Dube	44.39
Don Fellows	26.07
Clyde Harrington	61.51
Harry Jones	14.63
Heirs of Helen Labor	34.51
Wm. E. Martin	28.25
Geo. Scott	3.21
Charles Strobel	12.06
Wilfred Thibault	24.34
Raymond Talbert	46.41
Mary Jean Woodward	23.78
Hall Peterson	11.60
Heirs of Henry Dana	3.49
Heirs of Lorin Hilliard	20.43
Chester Jenney	18.87
Hall Pennington	11.03
Lewis T. Wallis	50.19
Heirs of Nelson Johnson	34.51

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Total	\$2,722.91
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## LIABILITIES

Balance due School District	\$5,706.67
Land rent due School District	15.30
Dog tax due School District	218.60
Lincoln Young Note due July 1, 1941	2,500.00
Refunding Serial Notes Payable	
\$1,500 annually Lincoln Young Co.	4,500.00
Lucy Chamberlain Note	600.00
Tractor Rental Note due April 1, 1941	
First National Bank, White River Jct., Vt.	1,500.00
Due Herbert King error in Road Account	8.00
Total	<u>\$15,048.57</u>

## Financial Statement

Net Debt Jan. 31st, 1940	\$12,101.15
Net Debt Jan. 31st, 1941	<u>12,504.83</u>
Increase	\$403.68

Increase due to \$1,500.00 rental on Tractor and Snow Plow.

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## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the Year Ending January 31, 1941

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### Motor Vehicle Permits

Cash received for permits 1939-40	\$10.10
Cash received for Permits 1940-41	1,333.27
Cash received for permits 1941-42	38.22

### Dog Licenses

Cash received	307.00
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### Filing Fees

Cash received	5.00
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Paid Town Treasurer	<u>\$1,693.59</u>
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William H. Jenney,  
Town Clerk.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1940	\$2,035.14
Lincoln R. Young & Co., Note	12,000.00
W. H. Jenney, Clerk, Motor Vehicle Permits	1,381.59
W. H. Jenney, Clerk, Dog Licenses	307.00
W. H. Jenney, Clerk, Filing Fees	5.00
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, Bounties	20.00
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, Class V Highways	181.13
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, Insurance Tax	18.38
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, Railroad Tax	29.68
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, Savings Bank Tax	502.60
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, Interest and Dividend Tax	6,451.56
Interest of Burnap Fund	68.75
Leased Land rent	15.30
Philip Hadley, Rent of Town Hall (Plainfield)	9.00
Arthur Whitney, Rent of Town Hall (Meriden)	3.00
Morris Penniman, Refund, Oiling Drive	5.00
Herbert King, Refund, Highway Account	2.94
A. E. Lang Est., Plowing Snow	6.00
Griswold Heyward, Refund on Cement & Culvert	46.36
Ty L. Barker Co., Refund on Dynamite	1.50
Town of Plainfield, Refund, Ellen Chapman	26.00
John C. Cowles, Refund on Road Repair	100.00
Blowmedown Grange, Refund on lights	5.40
Ernest Green, Sale of Land acquired by Tax Collector's Deed	94.29
Windsor County National Bank, Quitclaim Deed of Helen Miller Property	202.99
Received from Redeemed Tax Sales	455.97
Interest and Costs	92.74
Clarence N. Bean, 1939 Property Taxes	17.60

Clarence N. Bean, 1939 Poll Taxes	48.00
Vernon A. Hood, Collector,	
1937 Property Taxes	1.35
1938 Property Taxes	15.91
1938 Poll Taxes	10.00
1939 Property Taxes	20.96
1939 Poll Taxes	146.00
1940 Property Taxes	23,685.56
1940 Poll Taxes	918.00
Error in Bank Deposit	.10
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Total receipts	\$48,930.80
Selectmen's Orders Paid	48,259.38
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Balance in Treasury Feb. 1, 1941	\$671.42

Respectfully Submitted,

Bessie W. Hill, Treasurer.

By J. W. Whitney.



## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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### Levy of 1940

—Dr.—

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$23,926.55
Poll Taxes	1,064.00

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Total Warrant	\$24,990.55
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Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	15.40
Poll Taxes	42.00
Interest Collected	14.62
Total Debits	\$25,062.57

—Cr.—

Total remittances to Treasurer	\$24,618.18
Discount Allowed	198.63
Abatements	91.70
Uncollected taxes	154.06
Total Credits	\$25,062.57

### Levy of 1939

—Dr.—

Uncollected as of February 1, 1940	\$346.86
Added	24.00
Interest Collected	1.81
Total Debits	\$ 372.67

—Cr.—

Paid Treasurer	\$234.37
Abated	82.21
Uncollected	56.09
Total Credits	\$ 372.67

### Levy of 1938

—Dr.—

Uncollected as of February 1, 1940	\$49.83		
Interest Collected	3.50		
Total Debits		\$	53.33

—Cr.—

Paid Treasurer	\$29.41		
Abated	8.00		
Uncollected	15.92		
Total Credits		\$	53.33

### Levy of 1937

—Dr.—

Uncollected as of February 1, 1940	\$9.30		
Total Debits		\$	9.30

—Cr.—

Paid Treasurer	\$1.35		
Abated	7.95		
Total Credits		\$	9.30

### Redemption from Tax Sales

Redeemed Taxes Collected	\$455.97		
Interest and Costs Collected	72.81		
Total Collected		\$	528.78
Paid Treasurer		\$	528.78

Respectfully submitted,

Vernon A. Hood,  
Tax Collector.

February 1, 1941

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

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Town Officers' Salaries	\$998.63
Town Officers' Expenses	515.51
Election and Registration	199.80
Town Halls	172.85
Police Department	241.00
Fire Department	411.56
Bounties	11.40
Damage by Dogs	88.40
Town Physician	300.00
Vital Statistics	12.00
Hospital Bed	89.00
Town Maintenance, Summer	4,886.68
Town Maintenance, Winter	3,343.10
Street Lighting	131.57
General Expense of Highway Dept.	947.69
<b>Libraries</b>	219.70
Old Age Assistance	399.17
Town Poor	942.84
Soldiers Aid	30.00
Memorial Day	16.50
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region	40.00
Cemeteries	11.50
Damage and Legal Expenses	199.93
Taxes Bought by Town	620.77
Refunds	4.73
Interest	547.22
Town Road Aid	807.42
Motor Fees to Clerk	110.75
Temporary Loans	12,500.00
Bonds and Term Notes	2,200.00
County Tax	5,457.58
Burnap Fund	35.43
School District	11,766.65
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Total	\$48,259.38



## DETAIL PAYMENTS

### Town Officers' Salaries

Fred Mark, Selectman to Mar. 12th, 1940	\$58.00
Earle W. Colby, Selectman to Mar. 12, 1940	46.38
John W. Whitney, Selectman to Mar. 12th, 1940	49.00
Vernon Hood, services as Tax Collector	175.00
Bessie Hill, services as Treasurer	100.00
William Jenney, services as Town Clerk	25.00
Earle W. Colby, services as Selectman	169.30
John W. Whitney, services as Selectman	157.00
Fred A. Mark, services as Selectman	152.95
Fred A. Mark, services as Overseer of Poor	30.00
Howard W. Chellis, services as Auditor	18.00
Blancha Daniels, services as Auditor	18.00
Total	<hr/> \$998.63

### Town Officers' Expenses

Cory-Hewitt, printing reports	\$116.05
Town Officers' expense prior to Mar. 12th, 1940	25.28
Edith Whitney, dinners for Finance Committee	3.60
Clinton K. Barton, transfer	10.80
Howie Press, Tax Collector's expense	6.20
Kimball Inc., Treasurer's expense	9.50
Cory-Hewitt, stationery	4.05
C. H. Dana Co., Inc., Clerk's expense	3.30
Bernice Sawyer McWilliams	.20
Edson Eastman, supplies	8.38
Wm. H. Jenney, Town Officers' Bonds	65.00
Wheeler and Clark, supplies	33.27
Bessie Hill, Treasurer's expense	8.15
Vernon Hood, Collector's expense	20.94
Walter Bowlby, Clerk's expense	8.50
Claremont Eagle, Treasurer's expense	7.50
Brown and Saltmarsh, Collector's expense	4.15
W. H. Jenney, Clerk's expense	18.00
Selectmen's expense Assessor's meeting	21.56
Earle W. Colby, dinners for Finance Committee	3.75
Earle W. Colby, expense	61.38
John W. Whitney, expense	10.18
Fred Mark, expense,	65.77
Total	<hr/> \$515.51

### **Election and Registration**

Daniel C. Westgate, services as Moderator	20.00
Howard W. Chellis, services as Ballot Clerk	9.00
Palmer C. Read, Jr., services as Ballot Clerk	9.00
Harry Carlson, services as Ballot Clerk	6.00
Fred Moulton, services as Ballot Clerk	9.00
John McNamara, services as Ballot Clerk	3.00
Wm. H. Jenney, services as Town Clerk	15.00
J. Charles Meyette, services as Supervisor	28.50
Edwin Porter, services as Supervisor	40.50
Otis W. Jordan, services as Supervisor	34.50
Edith Whitney, dinners for Town Officials	25.30
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Total	\$199.80

### **Town Hall Expense**

W. H. Jenney, insurance	\$103.25
Central Vermont Public Service Corp.	22.40
Meriden Electric Light & Power Co.	12.00
Clarence Cole, wood	12.00
L. A. Westgate, wood	9.00
P. C. Read, wood	8.00
Arthur T. Whitney, labor	4.97
Stephen Plummer, supplies	1.23
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	\$172.85

### **Report of Meriden Town Hall**

1 dance	\$6.00
Janitor's per cent	3.00
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Balance paid town	\$3.00

Respectfully submitted,  
Arthur T. Whitney,  
Janitor.

### **Report of Plainfield Town Hall**

From Mr. Lowe	\$2.00
From Gibson and Hill	2.00
From Kit Carson	5.00
From Claremont Basketball Team	3.00
From Claremont Basketball Team	3.00
From Claremont Basketball Team	3.00
Total	<hr/> \$18.00
Janitor's per cent	9.00
Paid Town	<hr/> \$9.00

Philip Hadley,  
Janitor.

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### **PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY**

#### **Police Department**

Ellen Chapman, care of tramps	\$202.00
Milton Morse, Constable	18.00
John McNamara, Constable	8.00
Total	<hr/> \$228.00

#### **Fire Department**

Bishop fire	\$343.45
Bartlett chimney fire	8.00
C. W. King, grass fire	1.00
Forest fire tools	20.87
Express on same	1.85
Fire reservoir	25.27
P. C. Read, Fire Warden	11.12
Total	<hr/> \$411.56

#### **Report of the Forest Fire Warden**

Number of forest fires	3
Estimated acreage of areas burned over	4.75 acres
Size of average fire	1.583 acres
Number of fire permits issued	86

### Forest Fire Fighting Tools On Hand

10 Knapsack Pumps	6 Firs Rakes
6 Rakes	6 Hazel hoes
8 Pulaski tools	6 Axes
6 Shovels	2 Cross-cut saws & wedges
	4 Oil Lanterns

The Community has had this year an unusual number of forest fires due to the hurricane and consequent increased lumber operations, and we feel that the danger for the coming season will be even greater and that we should exercise the greatest care possible in burning, and in the prevention and removal of all unnecessary fire hazards. In this connection, I want to express the importance of obtaining permits for necessary burning and also to emphasize the provisions of the law relative to personal liability for damage caused by widespread burning.

I want to express appreciation for the cooperation of Town Officials, Firemen, Deputy Wardens, Citizens and the crews of the Federal Forest Service, in the control of fires and urge the continuation of this aid in keeping the fire damage and consequent expense at the lowest possible amount for the coming year.

Palmer C. Read,  
Forest Fire Warden.

R. K. Jordan,  
Elbert S. Barton  
Otis W. Jordan,  
Clarence W. King,  
Alfred E. Bean,  
John Farrington,  
Deputy Forest Fire Wardens.

#### Bounties

57 Hedgehogs	11.40
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#### Damage by Dogs

Wm. H. Jenney, 8 fowls	\$7.20
Angelo DePalma, 46 pullets	27.60
Maurice Downs, 1 sheep	6.00
J. F. McNamara, Dog Constable	15.60
Wm. H. Jenney, fees on 128 dogs	32.00
Total	<hr/> \$88.40

## HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Fred A. Mark, water sample	1.00
Dr. E. L. Huse, Town Physician	300.00
Wm. H. Jenney, recording vital statistics	11.00
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Total	\$312.00

### Hospital

Town Appropriation	200.00
Overuse of Daniels bed	89.00
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Balance	\$111.00

### Report of Plainfield Free Bed

During the year January 1, through December 31, 1940 the Plainfield Free Bed Fund in the Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital, Hanover, New Hampshire has rendered one hundred and thirteen (113) days' service to eighteen (18) residents of the town of Plainfield, New Hampshire.

The allotment for the Town of Plainfield by the Trustees was \$400.00.

The charges at the minimum hospital rates for service rendered to these patients during the period amounted to \$489.00.

We are attaching hereto a summary sheet, showing the charges to this fund.

Yours very truly,

Donald S. Smith.



## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

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F. A. Hussey	\$456.67
Russell Camp	278.26
William Annal	212.69
Richard Bailey	10.68
Harry Jones	118.41
C. R. Bates	159.28
Everett Williams	534.94
C. W. Hill	199.39
S. F. Hussey, gravel	16.60
R. L. Hendrick	10.70
Shirley Hendrick	38.08
Elmer Bates	33.38
Lee Woodward	49.38
Joe Scruton	3.76
Allen Walker	1.88
Perley Coutermarsh	40.89
Jack Williams	1.13
Hattie Goodwin, gravel	9.80
Steven Kimball	12.75
Charles Baker	6.00
C. W. King	165.46
Harry Johnson	67.13
Tom Scruton	6.38
Harry Rice	5.63
Edward Pierce	27.40
Earle Colby, gravel	2.30
C. E. King	79.00
Benjamin Wright	15.76
Ty L. Barker Co.	1.50
Ralph Woodward	.75
Otis Jordan, gravel	30.70
Walter Williams	3.00
Wendell Donley	3.75
Joe Woodward	20.25
P. C. Read	6.00
Albert Read	3.00
A. Hayes Jones & Son	11.65
George Kenyon	5.25
John St. Peter	5.25
Hathorn's Garage	7.01
J. E. Bosley	12.75
Frank Smith	18.00

Chas. Williams, gravel	1.20
Myron Camp	3.38
Edward Jones	13.50
Harold Wilder	62.51
Will French	9.19
W. H. Jenney, gravel	7.70
Leon Morse	.94
William Eddy	173.13
James Hood	13.50
H. B. Jordan	5.00
Guy Scruton	1.50
Walter Carter	20.63
L. W. Hendrick	8.25
William Martin	12.00
William Sterling	5.00
Owen Picknell	11.38
Theron Scruton	3.00
John Peterson	3.00
Hall Peterson	1.13
Stephen Plummer	4.30
Otis Jordan	6.00
Francis Atwood	3.00

Total	<u>\$3,061.83</u>
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Frank Hussey, Road Agent.

Herbert King	\$1,108.72
Arthur LeClair	334.55
Donald King	346.13
Waldro Cutts	7.13
C. E. King	1,254.88
George Kibbie	48.39
Stella Hussey, gravel	51.55
Stephen Davis	220.36
Lewis Filling Station	1.00
Gardner's Garage	37.50
Earle Barker	208.73
Stanley Cutts	1.13
Robert Cutts	1.13
Clayton Bonner	20.64
C. V. Tomkinson, gravel	55.40
John Sullivan	239.00
Walter Stearns	24.01
Emile Lavallie, Gravel	36.00
Everett Williams	45.00
William Martin	22.13

Chester Lull	10.50
C. W. King	405.50
George Scott	1.50
Chas. Williams, Gravel	4.30
A. Hayes Jones & Son	41.75
Ed Smith	.65
J. F. McNamara	2.50
Elmer Hall, gravel	26.35
Albert Barker, gravel	5.00
Osborne Rudd	20.63
Eugene Fadden	31.88
Herbert Bean	126.58
Russell Camp	20.25
Earle Woodward	20.07
Harold Woodward	24.95
Arthur Marcou	10.00
Clyde Harrington	11.63
Fred Barker	4.50
Margaret Wood, gravel	6.40
Frank Smith, Gravel	.90
George Twombly	9.00
Fred Kimball	16.88
Leslie Mark	3.00
David Mark	13.50
Leslie Magoon	26.64
Leslie Dodge	17.25
Kenneth Miller	14.63
Dana Whitney	10.13
Ernest Greene	54.40
Irving Woodward	3.38
Robert Green	12.01
Elwin Harlow	48.02
A. W. Merrihew	5.13
Leon Magoon	11.64
Clarence Bean	13.88
Willis Merrihew	4.88
Ralph Sanborn	12.01
Alexander Crate	10.50
Joseph Crate	22.25
Donald Crate	6.00
Arthur Whitney	12.00
Frederick Penniman, gravel	1.60
Total	<hr/> \$5,167.95

Herbert King, Road Agent.

## STREET LIGHTING

Central Vermont Public Service Corp.	\$30.78
Meriden Electric Light & Power Co.	100.89
Total	<u>\$131.67</u>

## GENERAL EXPENSE, HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

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Ty L. Barker Co., dynamite	\$17.25
Bessie Hill, bridge plank	293.95
Paul Baptista, bridge plank	16.17
L. A. Westgate, bridge plank	47.95
Chas. E. King, bridge plank	143.00
Amelia Smith, bridge plank	96.97
Harry Johnson, bridge plank	60.71
P. J. Perkins Co., repairs	29.91
New England Metal Culvert Co.	45.36
Meriden Garage, services	3.00
Earle W. Colby, snow plow repair	43.96
International Salt Co., 1 ton salt	9.50
R. A. Elliot, snow plow repair	22.03
Fred Mark, repair on shed for tractor	33.37
Windsor County Farmers Ex., pulleys and rope	4.40
Miller Auto Co., tractor oil	25.80
Otis W. Jordan, pass over hand	5.00
Stephen Plummer, supplies	32.16
Hathorn's Auto Service, snow plow repair	17.20
Total	<u>\$947.69</u>

## LIBRARIES

Library Tax	\$49.20
Sara Whitaker, salary 1939 and 1940	80.00
Edith Whitney, salary 1940	40.00
Wm. H. Jenney, insurance	22.50
Meriden Electric Light & Power Co.	12.00
Clarence Cole, wood	10.00
Edith Whitney, Janitor Service	6.00
Total	<u>\$219.70</u>

## **TOWN POOR**

Appropriation \$2,000.00

Old Age Assistance	\$399.17
Ellen Chapman	102.00
Lizzie Richards	6.00
Frank Green	163.00
Fred Kimball	101.15
Fred Jones	39.50
Bert Smith	75.00
Don Fellows	23.13
Emma Jenks	21.50
Helen Cuddy	230.00
Alice Cuddy	159.00
Perley Coutermarsh	11.68
Wm. Thompson	12.00
Asa Walker	9.38
Mrs. Ainsworth	2.50
Soldiers Aid	30.00
Total	<hr/> \$1,385.01

## **MEMORIAL DAY**

Appropriation \$25.00

Windsor News Co., for flags	\$16.50
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## **DARTMOUTH-LAKE SUNAPEE REGION**

Appropriation \$40.00

## **CEMETERIES**

John W. Whitney, mowing Gilkey Cemetery	\$10.00
Frederick Penniman, mowing Penniman Cemetery	1.50
Total	<hr/> \$11.50

## **DAMAGE AND LEGAL EXPENSE**

New Hampshire Assessors, dues	\$2.00
Ralph Dodge, medical care and damages	54.00
Clinton Barton, examining records	4.00
H. S. Richardson, retainer fee, etc.	41.00
Palmer Read, making 3 deeds	6.00
Harry Jones, medical care and damages	21.50
Vernon Hood, fees and expenses on tax sale	71.43
Total	<hr/> \$199.93



## **TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN**

Taxes bought by Town of 1940 Tax Sale	\$620.77
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## **INTEREST**

Eva Cutting note	\$4.67
Lincoln R. Young Co., temporary notes	296.55
Lincoln R. Young Co., long term note	210.00
Chamberlain note	36.00
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Total	\$547.22

## **REFUNDS**

Wm. H. Jenney, overpayment on auto permits	\$4.73
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## **TOWN ROAD AID**

Appropriation	\$808.01
Paid State Treasurer	807.42

## **MOTOR FEES TO CLERK**

Wm. H. Jenney, Clerk	\$110.75
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## **TEMPORARY LOANS**

Lincoln R. Young & Co.	\$12,500.00
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## **LONG TERM NOTES**

Lincoln R. Young Co.	\$1,500.00
Eva Cutting	700.00
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	\$2,200.00

## **COUNTY TAX**

County Tax	\$5,457.58
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## **BURNAP FUND**

Expended for worthy poor	\$35.43
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## **SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Wm. H. Jenney, Treasurer	\$11,766.65
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## AUDITORS' REPORT

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This is to certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, and other officers of the Town of Plainfield for the year ended January 31, 1941, and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

Howard W. Chellis,  
Blancha L. Daniels,  
Auditors.

Plainfield, N. H.  
February 12, 1941

## ELIJAH BURNAP FUND

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New Hampshire Savings Bank

In Hands of Trustees of Trust Funds

Amount of principal	\$2,750.80
Balance of income on hand at beginning of year	112.88
Income during year	68.75
Expended during year	35.43
Balance of income on hand at end of year	146.20

Respectfully submitted,

Earle W. Colby,  
John W. Whitney,  
Fred A. Mark,  
Selectmen.

# REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF PLAINFIELD ON JANUARY 31, 1941

Date of Creation	NAME OF FUND	HOW INVESTED					Income at beginning of year	Income during year	Expended during year	Balance at end of year
		Principal	Rate of Interest	Income on hand	at beginning of year	Income during year				
1890	Junius Spencer	\$ 300.00	2 1/2 %	\$ 7.50	none	\$ 7.69	\$ 5.00	\$ 7.94		
1890	Lucy Parker Chamberlain	600.00	6 %	36.00	none	36.00	36.00	none		
1894	Cyrus Smith	50.00	2 1/2 %	13.23	13.23	1.55	10.00	4.78		
1896	Esther F. Wright	100.00	2 1/2 %	2.67	7.46	3.00	3.00	7.13		
1903	Westgate-Peterson	150.00	2 1/2 %	3.95	10.35	3.95	4.00	10.30		
1905	Sophia R. Baker	150.00	2 1/2 %	3.84	6.73	3.84	3.00	7.57		
1909	Elijah Burnap	2750.80	2 1/2 %	68.75	none	68.75	68.75	none		
1910	Jason Johnston	300.00	2 1/2 %	8.85	65.48	8.85	30.00	44.33		
1910	A. M. & M. D. Rowell	100.00	2 1/2 %	2.61	6.01	2.61	4.00	4.62		
1911	Mary True	500.00	2 1/2 %	12.50	none	12.50	12.50	none		
1912	Philena Spencer	200.00	2 1/2 %	5.62	44.76	5.62	15.00	35.38		
1912	Amos Bugbee	50.00	2 1/2 %	4.02	4.02	1.31	1.50	3.83		
1912	Wilbur Smith	100.00	2 1/2 %	2.65	7.16	2.65	5.00	4.81		
1913	George T. Avery	300.00	2 1/2 %	8.33	16.09	7.81	12.00	11.90		
1913	H. A. & H. F. Cutting	307.63	2 %	21.18	6.26	6.23	12.00	15.41		
1913	Gleason	50.00	2 %	6.26	1.10	5.00	5.00	2.36		
1913	Betty A. Sargent	300.00	2 %	43.53	6.15	6.15	15.00	34.68		
1914	Mary F. Wood	50.00	2 %	3.45	3.45	1.30	1.00	3.75		
1914	Avery Morgan	150.00	2 %	35.15	21.33	3.72	none	38.87		
1915	George C. Freeman	50.00	2 %	2.84	2.84	1.81	5.00	18.14		
1915	Mrs. G. W. Clark	50.00	2 %	2.55	2.55	2.55	2.55	2.55		
1915	Abbie F. Spaulding	100.00	2 1/2 %	2.64	2.64	2.64	3.00	2.48		
1915	Oliver Stowbridge	300.00	2 1/2 %	7.85	23.68	7.85	10.00	21.53		
1917	Alice G. Martin	50.00	2 1/2 %	2.90	2.90	1.28	1.50	2.68		
1918	Henry F. Nash	100.00	2 1/2 %	7.63	7.63	6.38	5.00	8.17		
1920	Duty Stickney	250.00	2 1/2 %	12.45	12.45	5.30	15.00	18.72		
1921	Chester C. Beckley	833.60	2 1/2 %	71.00	71.00	22.48	25.00	74.48		
1922	Emma A. Willis	500.00	2 1/2 %	51.42	51.42	12.85	1.50	49.97		
1922	Moulton Yard Fund	3000.00	2 1/2 %	2.80	2.80	1.24	75.65	2.54		
1923	Francis Daniels	50.00	2 1/2 %	none	none	113.16	20.00	37.50		
1923	Henry C. Daniels	500.00	2 1/2 %	51.82	51.82	12.98	20.00	44.80		
1924	Edmund S. Read	500.00	2 1/2 %	51.82	51.82	12.98	20.00	44.80		
1925	J. L. & L. S. Stickney	500.00	2 1/2 %	51.82	51.82	12.98	20.00	44.80		



1926	Marion Eastman .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	200.00	2 1/2 %	none	5.00	5.00	none
1929	F. L. Hudson .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2 %	2.45	1.25	1.00	2.70
1929	Chas. & Lucia Williams .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	4.12	2.55	3.00	3.67
1930	William E. Westgate .....	Manchester Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	5.80	2.58	4.00	4.38
1930	Ella M. Richardson .....	Manchester Savings Bank .....	400.00	2 1/2 %	16.59	10.59	20.00	7.18
1930	Mellicent M. Miller .....	New Hampshire Savings Bank .....	300.00	2 1/2 %	42.14	8.55	none	50.69
1931	Lucy P. Chamberlain .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	1100.00	2 1/2 %	69.55	28.03	19.20	78.39
1931	Samuel C. Harrington .....	Mascoma Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2 %	2.92	1.05	2.00	1.97
1932	Emma J. Rice .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	5.49	2.63	3.00	5.12
1932	Hattie L. Chellis .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	7.67	2.69	5.00	5.36
1934	Mary J. Doyle .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2 %	3.73	1.33	1.25	3.81
1934	George B. Cole .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	200.00	2 1/2 %	10.10	5.28	3.00	10.98
1936	Madge Daniels Miller .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	1000.00	2 1/2 %	103.77	25.98	85.00	44.75
1937	Edward C. Daniels .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	1000.00	2 1/2 %	76.71	25.55	65.00	37.26
1937	Frank W. True, Plain Cem. ..	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2 %	1.00	1.26	1.00	1.26
1937	Frank W. True, Freeman Cem. ..	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	150.00	2 1/2 %	9.18	3.99	none	13.17
1937	George E. Read .....	Windor Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 %	.35	2.01	2.00	.36
1938	Frank J. Chadbourne .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	.51	2.51	2.00	1.02
1939	Earle Westgate .....	Manchester Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2 %	.76	1.27	1.00	1.03
1939	Mabel E. Short .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	150.00	2 1/2 %	none	3.75	3.00	.75
1939	Susan E. Clark .....	Dartmouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2 %	none	2.51	1.50	1.01

Howard Zea,

John W. Whitney

Palmer C. Read, Trustees

## CLARA FREEMAN FUND

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Dartmouth Savings Bank

Blancha L. Daniels, Trustee

Amount of principal	\$159.25
Rate of interest	2½ %
Balance of income at beginning of year	104.36
Interest for the year	6.60
Expended during the year	5.00
Balance of income on hand at end of year	105.96

## REPORT OF MERIDEN LIBRARY

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### Receipts

Cash on hand January 30, 1940	\$3.59
Received from Selectmen	24.60
Mary True Fund	6.25
Marion Eastman Fund	5.00
Abbie Spaulding Fund	1.28
Fines for books	5.69
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	\$46.41

### Disbursements

Paid for books	\$37.42	
Incidentals	1.50	
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Cash on hand January 30, 1941		<hr/>
		\$7.49

Respectfully submitted,  
Ethel P. Duncklee,  
Mary A. Freeman,  
Edith M. Whitney,  
Trustees.

## PHILIP READ MEMORIAL LIBRARY

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Balance on hand January 31, 1940	\$105.54
Received from Selectmen	24.60
Edmond Read Fund	75.65
Mary True Fund	6.25
Abbie Spaulding Fund	1.27
From Closed State National Bank Windsor	13.76
Interest on Savings Account	1.32
Fines and sale of old magazines	.65
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	\$229.04

### Disbursements

Electric lights	\$12.00
Wood	18.00
Piling wood	2.00
Spraying trees	2.25
Labor on lawn	12.00
Books	36.16
Painting Library	27.46
Lead and oil	5.58
Picture	4.00
New shelves	3.00
Janitor	13.50
Incidentals	1.53
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	\$137.48
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1941	91.56

Books given by Mrs. Robert Taylor, Mrs. Herbert Croley and Mr. James Smith.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara C. Whitaker,  
Thomas J. Ingram,  
Lucy F. Bishop,

**Trustees.**

## VITAL STATISTICS

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### Marriages

Registered in the Town of Plainfield, N. H. for  
Year Ending December 31, 1940

Date, Where Married, Name of Parties, and  
By Whom Married

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| May   | 18. | Plainfield, N. H., Albert Kenney Read and Kathleen Florence Philbrick. By Louis C. Read, Clergyman.  |
| May   | 24. | Lebanon, N. H., Waldro Louis Cutts and Ester Florence Cole. By William J. B. Cannell, Clergyman.     |
| July  | 21. | Laconia, N. H., Reginald Elwin Duval and Geneva Kittredge. By Frank P. Fletcher, Clergyman.          |
| Aug.  | 1.  | Chester, Vt., Walter Sidney Gobin and Yvonne May Bernard. By Reginald D. Avery, Clergyman.           |
| Aug.  | 10. | Charlestown, N. H., Raymond James Wilder, Rena Frances Merrill. By Louis C. Read, Clergyman.         |
| Sept. | 2.  | Plainfield, N. H., Charles Philip Payer, and Doris Marie Lindahl. By Thomas J. Ingram, Clergyman.    |
| Sept. | 30. | Meriden, N. H., Edwin Morton Porter and Lona Maidene Perkins. By Marshall O. Eck, Clergyman.         |
| Oct.  | 5.  | Meriden, N. H., Ernest Leslie Huse, Jr. and Clara Electa Chellis. By Marshall O. Eck, Clergyman.     |
| Oct.  | 19. | Franklin, Mass., Raymond Addison Huse and Charlotte Mackenzie. By John Reid, Clergyman.              |
| Nov.  | 19. | Enfield, N. H., Norman Chester Williams and Mary Ellen Reside. By G. Bennett Van Buskirk, Clergyman. |

## Births

Registered in the Town of Plainfield, N. H., for the  
Year Ending December 31, 1940

Date, Name of Child, Name of Father, and  
Maiden Name of Mother

Mar. 8.	Gail Marie Tolbert;	and Leona Agnes Tolbert.
Mar. 30.	Penelope Douglass;	Henry H. Douglass and Barbara Goodridge.
Apr. 2.	Rodney Alen Barker;	Earl Jonas Barker and Meda Jane Mark.
Apr. 16.	Barbara Stone Collins;	George Glover Collins and Ruth Deland Stone.
May 14.	Roger Everett Bean;	Herbert George Bean and Vera Mabel Mark.
May 20.	Stephen Walter Davis;	Stephen Winthrop Davis and Henrietta Stearns.
May 20.	Richard Albert Magoon;	Leslie Albert Ma- goon and Barbara Mae Merrihew.
May 22.	Sandra May Bassett;	Charles Alden Bassett and Marion Bertha Whitaker.
June 14.	Baby girl West;	Elmer Earle West and Ger- aldine Naomi Bullock.
July 13.	Mildred Lillian Kimball;	Frederick Charles Kimball and Gertrude Lillian Williams.
Aug. 15.	Marie Lee Eck;	Marshall Owen Eck and Do- ris Elvira Grade.
Aug. 26.	Caleb Francis Atwood;	Francis Edwin At- wood and May Viola Read.
Sept. 4.	Patricia Babcock;	Wilmot Samuel Babcock and Eula Emeline Lyman.
Sept. 5.	Raymond Donald Sullivan;	Frank William Sullivan and Blanche Nancy Nelson.
Oct. 20.	Robert Kenneth Hendrick;	Robert Nathan Hendrick and Margaret Hazel Swift.
Oct. 26.	Bobbie Lee Cook;	Clyde Charles Cook and Renelda Mae Smith.



## Deaths

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Reistered in the Town of Plainfield, N. H., for the  
Year Ending December 31, 1940

			Years	Months	Days
Feb.	24	Burges Tatro	72	5	17
Apr.	8	Grace Lawrence Taylor	69	3	15
May	12	Robert Ralston Penniman	72	4	26
May	14	Mary Jane Doyle	86	11	11
July	1	William Wesley Jordan	64	1	23
July	9	Horace Benjamin Jordan	79	3	19
Sept.	3	Abbie May Carter	72	0	13
Sept.	8	Lily G. Lang	82	9	17
Sept.	21	George Carlton Barton	79	7	10
Oct.	12	Julia Smith	81	0	2
Oct.	15	William Messenger	67	2	20
Oct.	17	Francis John Martin	63	1	14
Nov.	2	Charles Francis Woodward	63	3	26
Dec.	3	Jonathan Snow Lewis	76	0	19
Dec.	13	Mildred Lillian Kimball	0	5	0
Dec.	26	Ernest Leslie Huse	60	11	3

William H. Jenney,  
Town Clerk.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OF PLAINFIELD**

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**Officers of the District**

**Moderator**

CONVERSE A. CHELLIS

**Clerk**

J. W. WHITNEY

**Treasurer**

WILLIAM H. JENNEY

**School Board**

ETHEL P. DUNCKLEE, Chairman  
(Term expires March, 1941)

HARRIET A. WILLIAMS  
(Term expires March, 1942)

BLANCH A. DANIELS  
(Term expires March 1943)

**Superintendent of Schools**

WILLIAM J. ENGLISH

**School Nurse**

MRS. ROBERT HASHAM

**Auditor**

HOWARD W. CHELLIS

**Truant Officer**

JOHN F. McNAMARA

## PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

### WARRANT

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#### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Plainfield, in the County of Sullivan, in said State qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall at Plainfield, in said District on Saturday, the 8th day of March, 1941 at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

**Article I.** To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

**Article II.** To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

**Article III.** To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

**Article IV.** To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

**Article V.** To choose auditors or other agents for the ensuing year.

**Article VI.** To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and other officers heretofore chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

**Article VII.** To see if the District will vote to make an alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools, and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District as determined by the School Board in its Annual report.

**Article VIII.** To see if the District will vote to install septic tank toilets in the East Plainfield and Brook Schools and raise money therefor.

**Article IX.** To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 19th day of February, nineteen hundred and forty-one.

Ethel P. Duncklee,  
Harriet Williams,  
Blancha L. Daniels,  
Plainfield School Board.

A true copy of warrant attest:

Ethel P. Duncklee,  
Harriet A. Williams,  
Blancha L. Daniels,  
Plainfield School Board.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**PLAINFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

(Year Ending June 30, 1940)

**Current Revenue**

State Aid	\$4,590.57
Selectman (1939 assessment)	11,213.00
Dog Tax	202.31
Tuition (Enfield)	80.00
Land Rent	23.34
Refunds	10.50
Balance on hand July 1, 1939	373.83
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Grand Total Receipts	\$16,493.55

**Current Expenses**

Salaries of District Officers	\$223.00
Superintendent's Excess Salary	400.00
Truant Officer and Census	5.00
Expense of Administration	77.49
Teachers' Salaries	6,625.00
Textbooks	156.12
Scholars' Supplies	224.00
Flags and Appurtenances	38.25
Other Expenses of Instruction	17.15
Janitor Service	428.99
Fuel	471.87
Water, Light and Janitor Supplies	121.20
Minor Repairs and Expenses	293.01
Medical Inspection	320.29
Transportation of Pupils	2,625.00
High School and Academy Tuition	3,276.92
Tax for Statewide Supervision	360.00
Insurance	55.00
New Equipment	123.51
Payment on Debt	552.00
Payment of Interest on Debt	99.76
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Total Expenditures	\$16,463.56
Balance on hand at end of year	29.99
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Grand Total	\$16,493.55



## STATEMENT OF DEBT PAYMENTS

October 1938		
Borrowed from Claremont National Bank		\$2,610.00
Paid October 1939	\$522.00	
Paid October 1940	522.00	
	<hr/>	1,044.00
Present Debt		<hr/> \$1,566.00

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1940

Cash on Hand	\$373.83
State Treasurer (State Aid)	4,590.57
Selectmen (1939 assessment)	11,213.00
Dog Tax	202.31
Enfield School District Tuition	80.00
Land Rent	23.34
Refunds	10.50
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Grand Total Receipts	\$16,493.55
Less School Board's Orders Paid:	16,463.56
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Cash on Hand June 30, 1940	\$29.99

William H. Jenney,  
Treasurer.

## **SCHOOL BOARD'S BUDGET FOR 1941-1942**

### **Detailed Statement of Estimated Expenditures**

(Note) Amount of \$5 tax is necessary to  
obtain State Aid \$5,739.11

#### **Support of Schools:**

Teachers Salaries	\$7,000.00	
Textbooks	175.00	
Supplies	175.00	
Flags and Appurtenances	5.00	
Other Expense of Instruction	15.00	
Janitor Service	431.00	
Water, Light and Janitor Supplies	120.00	
Fuel	400.00	
Minor Repairs and Expenses	200.00	
Health Supervision	320.00	
Transportation of Pupils	2,800.00	
	<hr/>	\$11,641.00

#### **Other Statutory Requirements:**

Salaries of District Officers	\$223.00	
Truant Officer and Census	12.00	
Payment of Tuition to High Schools and Academies	3,500.00	
Supt.'s Excess Salary—by Sup. Union	400.00	
Payment of Interest	65.00	
Payment of Debt	522.00	
Per Capita Tax	396.00	
Expense of Administration	75.00	
	<hr/>	5.193.00

Total Amount to meet School Board's Budget	<hr/>	\$16,834.00
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### **Estimated Income of District**

Balance on June 30, 1941 (estimated)	\$150.00
State Aid	5,155.00
Dog Tax (estimated)	75.00

Income from Trust Funds (estimated)	60.00	
Elementary School Tuition	80.00	
	<hr/>	\$5,520.00
Assessment required to balance		
School Board's Budget		\$11,314.00
Special Appropriation recommended		400.00

### **AUDITOR'S REPORT**

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board of Plainfield, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1940, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

Howard W. Chellis,  
Auditor.

## ENROLLMENT

September, 1940

<b>No. Pupils in Grades</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Total</b>
Meriden Primary									
Hazel Dodge	8	6	4	5					23
Meriden Grammar									
Ruth Berry					6	5	3	0	14
Plainfield Primary									
Jeannette Bowlby	5	10	7	7					29
Plainfield Grammar									
David Armstrong					5	12	4	11	32
East Plainfield									
Thalia Drew	2	3	4	2	2	3	5	2	23
Brook									
Nina Nutting	3	2	3	1	4	5	0	1	19
Methodist Hill									
Josephine Crane	2	4	2	0	3	0	3	1	15
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Totals	20	25	20	15	20	25	15	15	155

## GENERAL STATISTICS

For the Year Ending June 30, 1940

	<b>'38-'39</b>	<b>'39-'40</b>
Number of Children enrolled	175	168
Average Membership	156.7	152.2
Average Attendance	146.7	143.3
Per Cent of Attendance	93	94
Number of days School in Session	174	180
Number of Children transported at District Expense	60	61
Number of secondary school students	39	46
Number of visits by Superintendent	111	121
Number visits by Board Members	12	44
Number visits by citizens	508	404

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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To the School Board and Citizens of Plainfield:

I am pleased to submit herewith my eighth annual report on the activities of the Plainfield schools. This is the twenty-second in a series of such reports.

### **Teacher Changes**

We are fortunate this year in having but one teacher change. This is at the East Plainfield school where Mrs. Thalia Drew, a teacher of considerable experience and ability, is employed. All of the other teachers are as heretofore, and doing a grade of work which indicates an interest in both group and individual welfare.

### **Transportation**

Transportation to the Plainfield schools is costing slightly more than last year, but this is due largely to the necessity for rearranging transportation routes and the increased demand by the motor vehicle department for safer and more convenient transportation. I am sure that none of us would wish to have transportation any less safe, so we shall all cooperate to the fullest in this matter.

### **School Buildings**

Some minor repairs were made at the East Plainfield, the Brook School, and the Plain school during the summer. The East Plainfield school underwent repairs on the fence, the woodshed, toilets, flag pole, etc. At the Brook school general patching was done. The slate blackboards were removed from the old Meriden school and installed in the Plainfield Plain building, which makes considerable improvement there.



The Plain school rooms and the corridor should be re-decorated during the summer months. At the East Plain-field and Brook schools, the School Board and I are agreed on recommending that septic toilets be installed in each building. This will make for a more sanitary condition for the pupils. It will probably necessitate a small special appropriation by the district, but if the schools are to be maintained, the children of **these schools** should have the same opportunities, as near as possible, as in our two room buildings.

### Prizes and Awards

The prizes awarded the eight-grade pupils by H. E. Ward for essays on Patriotic Subjects were awarded by the judges as follows:

	<b>Eastern Section</b>	<b>Western Section</b>
1st Prize	John DePalma	John Whitney
2nd prize	Antoinette Dube	Joseph Meyette
3rd prize	Richard Blair	Robert Gray

Mr. Ward also donated some money for Christmas for the children which was very much appreciated by both teachers and pupils.

### Budget

The budget for last year runs about the same as previous years. Our share of State Aid for the past year was in the vicinity of \$4,700.00 and we anticipate more for the coming year. You will note from the financial report that the debt now remaining on account of the new Meriden School building is \$1,566.00, an unusually small debt, two years after a new building has been erected. This is due to the Federal Aid and the surplus we had from previous years. The high school tuition charges are fairly steady and incline slightly upward.

## Health Work

A short report of the work of Mrs. Hasham, the school nurse will be found in another place. This is chiefly a statistical report and does not take into account in any large way the many personal contacts that Mrs. Hasham has made with families and with clinics in reference to our children. We all regret that she was ill a month or two last fall. The Lebanon School nurse has been available on call, and has visited most of the schools.

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### REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

As school nurse I wish to submit the following report for the year ending January, 1941.

No. School visits		61
No. Home visits		33
No. pupils inspected for defects such as teeth, tonsils posture, infections of skin and hair and visual defects		160
	Noted Defects	Corrected
No. pupils with defective vision	9	6
No. pupils with defective teeth	71	40
No. pupils with enlarged tonsils	19	2
No. pupils with poor posture	18	18
No. pupils with skin infections	5	5
No. pupils with pediculosis	3	3
No. pupils with poor nutrition	26	15

The school nurse has accompanied pupils to eye and ear clinics and to tuberculosis clinics. She has had the cooperation of the N. H. Children's Aid Society, State Public Welfare, Sight Saving Division, Local organizations, Town Officials, teachers and parents.

I appreciate the kindness of those who have assisted in the school health program.

Zephyrine L. Hasham, R. N.,

## Conclusion

I realize that this report has dealt chiefly of material things and, but a very little about educational work as such. We can do much better work in our schools when good material and equipment are there. The teachers are as well prepared for their respective schools as are most of the teachers in the state, and I am sure that they have as great an individual interest in our pupils as teachers have anywhere. Through State Aid assistance we are able to furnish all the books and supplies that are needed.

Application has been made by each teacher for Surplus Commodities which have been distributed free of charge by the Federal Government. Most of the schools have received an allotment of fruit of various kinds which can be used without cooking. Should any organization in the town wish to work on a worthy project, I suggest equipment for noon luncheons in the various schools as one worthy objective.

Please allow me to express my very great appreciation of the cooperation of those who transport the children to schools, the teachers, pupils and parents, and especially the members of the school board who give of their time freely to consider the problems confronting us.

Respectfully submitted,

William J. English,

Superintendent of Schools.

February 10, 1941

## PLAINFIELD TUITION PUPILS

1940—1941

### Kimball Union Academy

	Gr.		Gr.
Brewster, Seward	9	Moxcey, Sherlin	9
Duncklee, John	11	West, Herbert	9
Jones, Wallace, Jr.	10	Whitney, Dana	11
McNamara, John	9	Whitney, John	9
Moulton, Mary	9		

### Lebanon High School

Barker, Doris	11	Johnston, Andrew	9
Blair, Robert	11	Mark, Leslie	10
Blair, Richard	9	McNamara, Carolyn	12
Chapman, Arline	9	Merrihew, Frances	11
Cutts, Robert	12	Pickens, Catholine	9
Cutts, Stanley	12	Porter, Paul	10
DePalma, John	9	Thibault, Robert	11
Griswold, Elizabeth	10	Tremblay, Francis	11
Harlow, Robert	9	Woodward, Shirley	10

### Windsor, Vt., High School

Gibson, Elizabeth	11	Meyette, Joseph	9
Gibson, Elmer	10	Morse, Clifford	10
Gray, Robert	9	Stone, Bernard	10

### Stevens High School, Claremont

Smith, Ruth	10	Lear, Dorothy	11
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### West Lebanon High School

Hutchins, Hilda	11	Kimball, Steven	9
Hutchins, Louise	10	King, Doris	10
Kibbe, Marion	9	King, Everett	11

## LIST OF GRADUATES

### Eighth Grade

June 13, 1940

Brewster, Seward B.  
Chapman, Arline G.  
Harlow, Robert O.  
Jones, Lula M.  
Kimball, Ruth T.  
McNamara, John H.  
Moulton, Mary T.  
Blair, Richard A.  
DePalma, John R.

Dube, Antoinette O.  
West, Herbert E.  
Barney, Vera  
Barney, Clifton  
Gray, Robert  
Kimball, Stephen  
Meyette, Joseph  
Whitney, John







